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**LAKE D'ARBONNE STATE PARK TO OPEN POOL  
FOR MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND, SUMMER**

Thanks to community efforts, officials and citizens of Farmerville and Union Parish raised funds for staffing and for chemicals to open the swimming pool at Lake D'Arbonne State Park near Farmerville this summer. Swimming pools were slated to be closed for the summer due to state budget cuts.

"I am grateful for Mayor Stein Baughman's remarkable efforts and the community's support to keep this pool open," Lt. Governor Jay Dardenne said. "Our parks are beneficial to Louisiana families and visitors alike."

In addition to Lake D'Arbonne State Park's swimming pool, visitors to Louisiana State Parks also will have access to the wave pool at Bayou Segnette and water playgrounds and beach swimming areas at several parks.

*Swimming Pool*

Lake D'Arbonne State Park's swimming pool will open for Memorial Day weekend on Saturday, May 23. The swimming pool will remain open through Monday, May 25, but will close on Tuesday and Wednesday for maintenance before resuming the regular schedule of Wednesdays through Sundays for the summer. The pool will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Wave pool*

The Bayou Segnette State Park wave pool opens Memorial Day weekend, and will be open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursdays through Sundays, with a fee of \$10 per adult and \$8 per child under 4 feet tall.

*Water playgrounds*

Bogue Chitto in Franklinton, Chicot in Ville Platte, Fontainebleau in Mandeville, Lake Bruin in St. Joseph, Lake Fausse Pointe near St. Martinville, Palmetto Island near Abbeville, Poverty Point Reservoir in Delhi, St. Bernard in Braithwaite and Tickfaw in Springfield have water playground facilities for children. The playgrounds are open Tuesdays-Sundays, April 1 through Sept. 30, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

*Beach swimming*

State parks with designated beach swimming areas include Bogue Chitto, Cypremort Point east of Franklin, Fontainebleau, Grand Isle, Jimmie Davis in Chatham, Lake Bruin, Lake Claiborne in Homer, Poverty Point Reservoir and South Toledo Bend near Anacoco. All beach areas are open daily but do not have lifeguard supervision.

For more information on Louisiana State Parks, visit [LaStateParks.com](http://LaStateParks.com) or [www.Facebook.com/LA.State.Parks](https://www.facebook.com/LA.State.Parks).

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